TRAIN THE TRAINERS PROGRAMME

Trauma-Informed Care Training Using the Safety, Stability, Repair and Resilience (SSRR) Approach

Studio III Training Systems is a specialised experience and research-based psychology service, that provides BILD Association of Certified Training which is high-quality and specialised for carers supporting children and adults who have experienced trauma

and abuse, present with a range of complex behaviours and who may also have developmental conditions and difficulties processing everyday life.





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Pathway to the trauma-informed care programme using the Safety, Stability, Repair and Resilience Approach (SSRR).

The Safety, Stability, Repair and Resilience Approach (SSRR)

Studio III has worked with residential carers and foster carers to understand the unique challenges faced in trauma-informed care approaches focusing using particularly on children who have experienced multiple placement moves as a consequence of trauma-related behaviours and attachment difficulties. Studio III has also spent considerable time talking and listening to care experienced children. Our research led to the development of the integrated, trauma-informed and practical Safety, Stability, Repair and Resilience Care Approach (SSRR). This approach incorporates Studio III's mainstays of creating low-stress environments, practicing trauma-informed care, encouraging carers to be reflective practitioners, avoiding retriggering trauma and using Low Arousal Approaches to provide a kind, child-friendly, respectful and developmentally appropriate approach to caring for vulnerable children and adults. The training that has developed from our research is delivered to carers in a practical and engaging way, avoiding 'death by PowerPoint' or bombarding carers with 'theoretical' knowledge whilst ignoring the practical implications of developing positive relationships with traumatised children and adults.

The key learning objectives of SSRR Training are:

- Understanding trauma-informed thinking and behaviour, and how this affects a person's development
- Gaining a greater understanding of trauma, attachment and abuse, what this means in everyday life for children and adults
- Understanding the importance of creating physical and psychological safety, and avoiding vulnerability and exploitation
- Understanding how helping children and adults feel safe and being able to identify and trust positive supporters helps trauma repair
- Ability to help children to understand and enjoy relationships with friends
- Understand the relationship between trauma-informed care, self-esteem, risk and resilience
- Developing practical approaches to build long-term selfcoping skills into adulthood through unconditional positive regard, congruency and empathy
- Why fun and play matter more than theory
- How carers can help people feel better about themselves
- Working through unhelpful thinking and behaviour, and debunking common care 'myths'
- Improving overall well-being for children, adults, and carers
- Developing milestones to measure progress
- Creating resilience and establishing clear plans for moving forward
- Development is a lifelong experience, and can be supported into adulthood
- Becoming a reflective carer

The trauma-informed SSRR approach focuses on creating developmentally relevant conditions of safety, stability, repair and resilience, which are crucial for helping individuals to grow and flourish. The approach is arranged as a series of overlapping stages, each with its own objectives and strategies to meet the person's developmental needs. The central plank in the success of the model is the development of a positive, reflective, playful and kind relationship between the carer and individual. Carers are seen as the key agents of change through the relationship they develop with the person, which is in itself therapeutic. This training emphasises the need for reflective practice, trauma-informed understanding and developmental assessment to inform the approaches used by the team around the child or adult.

The SSRR 'Training the Trainer'

Programme

Over 5 days, participants will learn how to deliver the SSRR Approach Training within their own service. Participants who successfully complete the training are also required to attend 6-monthly continuing professional development (CPD) days over a two-year period.



The SSRR Training the Trainer Programme will usually be held online (face-to-face delivery can be agreed for organisational groups of 8 participants minimum), and is delivered between 9:00am – 4:30pm. The Training the Trainer programme also includes several 'homework' projects that participants must complete. Participants are usually selected by their own service and will need to attend one SSRR course prior to full completion of the Training the Trainer Programme (which can be undertaken concurrently), as well as be observed delivering one SSRR course within their own service following completion of the programme. The 'Training the Trainer' course will enable course facilitators to deliver the 2-day Trauma Informed Care SSRR Training and a 1day advanced Trauma Informed Care Approach training within their own service.

Cost

Pathway 1:

Organisations can book candidates (max. 12) onto the initial Trauma–Informed Care SSRR Training at a discounted price of £1500 per course (plus expenses and VAT). If delivered in-house, this would work out at £125pp per course.

The cost for nominated Train the Trainer candidates from this pathway is £3000 per person.

Pathway 2:

Train the Trainer on its own is £3500 per candidate (plus VAT), plus any expenses if delivered face-to-face in organisations (8 people minimum). This includes the 2-day 'Look and See' course attendance for Train The Trainer candidates.

The cost includes all course materials and trainer's notes, attendance at one 2-day SSRR Course, one 1-day advanced Trauma-Informed Care Approach course, observation and feedback from delivering the course within your own service, plus 2 virtual CPD events and 2 virtual supervision sessions annually.

Course Delivery Dates

Enquire now about our Autumn and Spring programmes available subject to demand. This course is held online via Zoom. Face-to-face training will incur additional expenses. Organisations can request their own training dates for internal participants, online or face-to-face. The maximum number of candidates per programme is 8 people.

Annual Licensing Fee

There is an additional annual licencing agreement for trainers who will be delivering outside their organisations or across services. A contract of agreement will also be required prior to commencing the program. The annual licence fee is £600/year, and will include registration onto our certified trainers register, attendance at 2 CPD days, and 2 hours of mentoring/supervision each year.

For more information on Training the Trainer Trauma-Informed Care Using the SSRR Approach, or to discuss booking a place for yourself or candidates from your organisation, please call us on 01225 334 111 or contact TICSSRR@studio3.org.

> More details on the course can be found at <u>https://www.studio3.org/train-</u> <u>the-trainer-trauma-informed-care-</u> <u>training</u>

IT'S NOT JUST TRAINING

Over the years, we have seen participants of the Training the Trainer programme making positive, long-term differences in the lives of the children and adults they support. The two-day Trauma-Informed SSRR Approach Training that participants will learn to lead creates strong emotional reactions amongst course participants, and trainers must be able to manage these feelings. The trainer's role is to assist and facilitate change in attitudes, as much as to teach trauma-informed care approaches.

Training is not just teaching; it's about learning too. It's not just about reading a manual and becoming a trainer. Trainers have to demonstrate that they are highly proficient in and passionate about their subject area. It is also important to Studio III that trainers develop their own individual training style. This is because what a trainer says is not the only important factor: the way a trainer presents the course also has an impact. Trainers who have completed the course have told us that, although this is not an easy course to teach, what they have gone on to teach carers in their own services has made a major difference to the lives of children and adults who have experienced neglect and abuse. There are theoretical, practical, emotional, and physical elements to the training. However, once mastered, teaching the course is a fulfilling and rewarding experience. We encourage individuals who genuinely believe in our philosophy of care and feel passionately about working from within a trauma-informed framework to become trainers themselves. Once trainees embark





on the programme, our tutors will work with them and support them to meet all the criteria and become competent Studio III trainers.

Post-Training Support for Trainers

(included in the cost of the training)

Coaching and Supervision

Studio III will provide 1 day of obervation, supervision, coaching and feedback in the first year of becoming a trainer. This will be a total of 6–8 hours per organisation An assessor may shadow a trainer delivering to carers in situ. Trainer's expenses would be charged in addition for this day.

Attendance at CPD Workshops

Trainers must attend at least 2 CPD (Continuing Professional Development) days in every 12-month period. The can be dedicated CPD events and/or Studio III webinars.

The CPD workshops cover topics such as:

- The impact of ACE's
- Understanding of the law as it applies to the caring environment
- Introduction to physical skills training
- Use of play in training
- Advanced movement skills
- Working with stress and anxiety
- The role of medication in managing complex behaviours
- Reflective caring Carer's perceptions and attributions
- Psychological health
- The principles of Reactive Planning

Monitoring of Trainers

Each trainer who has successfully completed the assessment process must maintain a personal CPD log in the password-protected trainer's Studio III 'Back Office.' The trainer's senior manager or training supervisor and senior Studio III Trainers use this system to monitor and aid the trainer's progress on the system.

Meet the Team

David Walker



David is a registered psychotherapist with a psychology background with over 35 years' experience of supporting children who have experienced significant difficulties in their lives.

David is also a Post-Graduate Researcher at Cardiff University, where he is involved in research to help understand more about the evidence base to traumainformed care. In training, David focuses on taking what we know theoretically about trauma-informed care and turning this into kind, positive and practical interactions with the children we care for.

Paul Burbage

Paul is a registered and accredited trainer with the British Institute of Learning Disabilities (BILD) where he specialises in training residential carers and foster carers to support children and young people.





With over 20 years of experience providing direct support to children and carers, Paul is passionate about helping carers reflect on their own practice, and incorporate the most up-to-date approaches in the care they provide. In training, Paul plays a key role in helping course participants to develop the presentation skills needed to make the course easily accessible and enjoyable for those they will go on to teach.

Liz Howard



Liz is a qualified art therapist who works extensively with children who have experienced trauma due to early years abuse and neglect.

Liz's contributing work to the programme focuses on:

- Early years relationships between primary carers and their children
- Relational trauma and its effect on the brain and behaviour
- Relationship dynamics with traumatised children
- Creating multi-levelled safety, and creating new nurturing experiences
- Finding space to talk and reflect on learning from the traumatised children we support

High-Quality Training

At Studio III, our philosophy is to train high-quality trainers who can deliver quality and enjoyable personcentred training, whilst providing course participants with the most up-to-date advice and information about the area they are working in and the adults and children they care for. Studio III trainers must demonstrate the ability to deliver training and relate theoretical knowledge to kind and positive approaches in everyday care settings.

There are two aspects to Studio III's 'Training the Trainer' scheme:

The completion of the intensive training the trainer programme. During this time, trainees will be expected to achieve competency in delivering all aspects of the course to the point where they can be formally assessed in the last week of the course.

Attendance of online and face-to-face CPD workshops which cover teaching the various elements of the course as well as other topics which contribute to a broader knowledge base around trauma-informed care approaches. This allows trainers to not only deliver training and be a valuable in-service resource, but also to support carers in other aspects of behaviour management.



What kind of people make good trainers?

Based on our experience, professional qualifications are not in themselves prerequisites for successful trainers. Successful candidates have included clinical psychologists, qualified and unqualified nursing carers, foster carers, carers from residential children's homes and care assistants.

Essential Skills

- Commitment to a non-aversive behaviour management approach
- The ability to show empathy for children and adults who present with complex behaviours
- A minimum of three years of practical experience of caring for children or adults who have experienced abuse and trauma and/or present with challenges
- Computer literacy
 The ability to respond to constructive feedback
- The ability to present to a room full of people
- A commitment to completing the Training the Trainer training
- Empathy and a great sense of humour
- A good level of resilience and adaptability
- Honesty, integrity and a person-centred commitment to the children and adults they support

Desirable Skills

- Background in training
- Experience of working with high-risk adults or young people and people with challenging reputations
- Previous experience of behaviour management practices

Organisational Requirements

A senior manager should be responsible for the development and supervision of the candidate within their own service.

The candidate must have access to an individual email account and access to a computer in order to maintain training records.

Further Information

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